Target for NREP and RLEGP

504. SHRI ANAND PRAKASH GAUTAM : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) the targets fixed for the National Rural Employment Programme and the Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme during the last two years and for the current financial year;

(b) the targets achieved during the last two years and the estimated performance for the current year; and

(c) the number of SC/STs benefited under the above programme during the above period, State-wise?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI JANARDHAN POOJARI) : (a) and (b) The employment targets fixed and the achievements made under National Rural Employment Programme (NREP) and Rural Landless Employment Guarantee Programme (RLEGP) during the years 1987-88 and 1988-89 are as under :

(Million mandays)

Year	NREP		RIEGP	
	Target	Employment generated	Target	Employment generated
1987-88	363.56	370·77	268·42	304·11
1988-89	342·68	340·44*	260.42	253·04

*As per reports received so far.

(c) The employment generated under NREP/RLEGP is monitored in terms of mandays and not in terms of individuals benefited. The share of SCs and STs for the employment generated under these programmes State-wise during the last 2 years is given in the Annexure-I and II enclosed. [*See* Appendix CL, Annexure No. 21]

Advertisements to Small and Medium Newspapers by Government and Public Undertakings

505. SHRI SHIV PRATAP MISHRA : Will the Minister of INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that small and medium newspapers are given less advertisement by Government and Public Undertakings; if so, the reasons therefor;

(b) if not, the total value of advertisements given to small and medium newspapers by Government and Public Sector Undertakings during the last three years till date; and

(c) whether Government propose to give more advertisements to such papers?

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND THE MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI H. K. L. BHAGAT): (a) and (b) Government advertisements are not released to newspapers on the basis of their classifications as small, medium or big. These are released under the Advertising Policy of the Government keeping in view the publicity requirements and availability of funds. The total value of advertisements given to small and medium newspapers by Government and Public Sector Undertakings who route their ad-